

Special Keynote Speakers



Monday, October 4, 2010
The Magic of the Future Is YOU!
Andy Hickman, CSP

Andy Hickman believes in magic... not the kind found in the illusions he performs... but rather, the kind found inside each member of his audience. He honed his skills as an illusionist while working with David Copperfield's "Project Magic." Andy is a Certified Speaking Professional.

Fewer than 5% of the speakers worldwide have earned this prestigious designation.

Since 1990, Andy has been a favorite speaker for most of the Fortune 500 companies in America. Although he has addressed thousands of audience members throughout the world, one of his greatest honors was delivering the Keynote Address to the survivors of the Oklahoma City bombing. He is also the author of two books and the inventor of his famous "Magic Tie." Autographed copies of his books and The Magic Tie will be available after his presentation. He will inspire us to break out of the mold and become true Heroes for our customers! So, expect the unexpected!



Tuesday, October 5, 2010
A Founder's Vision
Jerry Bell

Who better to be a keynote speaker at our Annual Conference during which we are celebrating our 25th anniversary than one of our founders?!

Jerry began attending luncheons of several P&C filing professionals during the quarterly NAIC meetings in the early 1980s. The luncheons became more formalized, attendance grew, speakers were soon invited, and work on creating the AICP began. In fact, Jerry was the head of the first Bylaws Committee (1985-86) which was assigned the task of developing our Bylaws and later led to our incorporation as a not-for-profit organization. Jerry was also our first Secretary (1986-87) and followed as our President/Chairman (1987-88). For those of you who enjoy perusing The Journal, Jerry began our organization's first publication, News and Views, and wrote a regular article – "A View from the Chair."

Jerry has had a knack for getting involved for most of his life. Jerry earned a Divinity degree at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1981. In the late '80s he was a member of the IRES Career Development Seminar Planning Committee. He also represented the insurance industry at tri-lateral meetings with regard to NAFTA. Jerry was invited to testify before the US Senate Committee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance regarding SB 1989 Insurance Policy Transfer Act and Insurance Redlining. And, outside of work and insurance activities, Jerry is a Past President of the Prime Time Singers, TN touring various venues, including opening with our National Anthem for the Atlanta Braves on two occasions. And a great honor bestowed upon Jerry was having been asked to be the keynote speaker at the Ocala Palms Golf and Country Club, FL for the first anniversary observance of the September 11, 2001 tragedy.

So, what did those pioneers of our Association have in mind when they began working toward formalizing it as an organization? How has the AICP met the goals of those pioneers, and has the AICP been able to change as the needs and desires of its membership have changed? What are some of the key milestones in which we can take pride and what might we have to offer of value to the insurance compliance community during the next 25 years? Let's take a view of these topics and challenges through the eyes of one of our founders, Jerry Bell.

